However, the implementation of these projects is subject to their commercial viability, which is dependent on achieving up-stream gas supply tie ups and downstream marketing tie ups. The projects would take at least thirty months for completion from the date of approval.

Price of Aviation turbine Fuel

2002. SHRI NILOTPAL BASU: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the price of aviation turbine fuel during the last one year which had to be paid by the domestic airline companies; month-wise;

(b) the duties and taxes that had to be paid by the companies during the last corresponding period;

(c) whether it is a fact that IATA has pointed out that any price of ATF which corresponds to the price of crude oil which is more than US dollar 30 per barrel will make aviation industry unviable;

(d) if so, whether Government have initiated any move to visit the tax regime in order to make the industry viable; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR): (a) and (b) The selling price for the supply of Aviation Turbine Fuel (ATF) to domestic Airline Companies includes statutory payment of duties and taxes as applicable from time to time. The details of the price paid by domestic Airline Companies at four metro locations *i.e.* Delhi, Kolkatta, Mumbai, Chennai for the period from January 2004 onwards are set-out at statement—I. (see below) The details of duties and taxes paid by these Companies during this period are set-out at statement-II. (see below)

(c) No such information is available with the Government.

(d) and (e) The excise duty on ATF was reduced from 16% to 8% with effect from 9-1-2004.

Statement-I

Details of price paid by domestic Airline Companies

(*Price in Rs./Kilo Litre*)

Effective Date	Delhi	Koltatta	Mumbai	Chennai
01.01.2004	22319.95	26141.66	22631.60	24394.60
09.01.2004	20780.65	24338.79	21070.80	22712.22
01.02.2004	21947.05	25675.29	22312.80	24063.62
01.03.2004	20340.01	24055.29	20638.80	22391.78
01.04.2004	20481.28	24364.44	20826.45	22641.16
01.05.2004	21647.68	25565.94	22041.45	23881.11
01.06.2004	24771.04	28720.93	25267.95	27155.13
01.07.2004	23410.24	27209.10	23836.95	25608.68
09.07.2004	23444.92	27249.41	23872.26	25646.62
01.08.2004	25651.38	29561.33	26170.66	28046.47
01.09.2004	28299.13	32387.01	28942.26	30934.66
01.10.2004	29298.53	33387.49	29983.30	31981.11
01.11.2004	31985.23	36132.05	32768.43	34827.46
01.12.2004	29480.24	33536.21	30159.06	32148.55

Statement-II

Details of duties and taxes paid by Airline Companies

Effective Date	Excise Duty*				Sales Tax			
	Delhi	Kolkatta	Mumbai	Chennai	Delhi	Kolkatta	Mumbai	Chennai
01.01.04	16%	16%	16%	16%	20%	25%	25%	29%
09.01.04 to as on date	8%	8%	8%	8%	20%	25%	25%	29%

*Education cess leviable @ 2% of aggregate value of excise duties is applicable with effect from 9th July 2004.